

## Start \$400,000 motel and holiday complex near Mohawk Raceway

Construction will start within two weeks on a \$400,000 motel, holiday complex on a Nassagaweya site on Highway 401 and the Campbellville Road adjacent to Mohawk Raceway, it was announced this week. Completion is scheduled for late this year.

Mohawk Motor Inn, besides an initial 25 motel units, will include a dining room, coffee shop, cocktail lounge, banquet or meeting room and Sunoco service station.

The exterior of the motel will be colonial style with stone and wood construction. All the buildings including the service station will preserve the architectural colonial style.

The complex is located on a 70 acre parcel of land, allowing for expansion. Principals of the project point out the concept of the development is of a high class motel in a conservation setting, establishing an ideal location for the development of a holiday centre. A heated swimming pool is scheduled for installation next spring.

Besides the inside dining facilities it is intended to develop outside dining and barbecuing areas to complement the holiday atmosphere.

Heating, air conditioning and services will be all electric. Limited outside areas may also be heated electrically.

The motel will be developed on a single level although initial plans had called for a two-storey plan of construction. Adequate land for expansion, however, precluded the need to go to a two storey plan.

The initial 25 units planned for the motel will determine the need to expand that part of the complex. If use indicates expansion would be warranted, an additional 25 units will be added after a trial period.

The coffee shop, dining room and cocktail lounge will each seat about 75. A banquet or meeting room will accommodate an estimated 50.

"We hope to develop a holiday centre away from it all and yet close to home. We want to preserve the rural setting" the developers told this newspaper.

Staff, estimated at 40 to 45, will be hired from this area.

The site is about half an hour from either Toronto or Hamilton and is within 2 1/2 miles of three major conservation areas, the developers noted.

## Variety of charges Driver training classes conclude

Six driver training students at Acton district high school took driver tests Monday at the Department of Transport, in Guelph, with four of six successful. Those who passed their tests were Fay Adams, Jill Bagby, Susan Radford and Eleanor Karn.

Driver courses have ended for the year and the training car will be returned to Toth Motors at the close of school, June 29.

There were 24 students registered; 19 completed the course and to date 13 have received their license and certificates.

Instructor Clarence Rognvaldson says that courses will be open again next September and January.

## Apartments?

Attendance was small but interest great at a meeting last week called by Acton Development Committee to discuss low-rent housing for senior citizens in Acton. See editorial.

Mrs. Bauer has been a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Friends of Mrs. James Moore, Queen St. E., regret that she is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Mr. James Morrison, who underwent surgery recently in the Guelph General Hospital, hopes to be home shortly.

Mr. Bob Weston and Mr. Sims McPhedran are on a motor trip to the east coast. They will visit relatives there and in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Flindall of Fullerton visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEnery on Tuesday.

Mr. Freeman Wilson, who lives south of Rockwood on Highway 7, suffered a heart seizure recently and is convalescing in a Guelph hospital.

Acton friends of Mr. William Ballentine of Guelph will be pleased to hear that he is improving following surgery in Guelph General Hospital.

About 30 public school teachers are expected to journey to Pine Lodge at Port Sidney this weekend for the eighth annual summer weekend outing.

M. Z. Bennett public school staff members are planning to hold a closing party next Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith of Glen Grove, California, are visiting with his aunt, Mrs. Albert Ross of R.R. 3, Acton, for two weeks.

The United church choir held a picnic in the park Thursday of last week. A Blue Mountain vase was presented to Mrs. J. Blundell, who is moving soon to Georgia.

Friends are sorry to learn Mrs. Edith Frank was rushed to Georgetown hospital following a fall at home. She has a chipped bone and is still in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Johnston attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Colleen Wiggins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Wiggins, to Mr. Douglas Hunter in Toronto on Friday evening.

Ladies of the Christian Reformed church took a bus trip to Niagara Falls on Tuesday.

Dr. Gordon Algic and family of Sauli Ste. Marie were recent guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Robert Algic, here.

Attending charter night of Milton's new St. John Ambulance Brigade Wednesday evening were Mr. and Mrs. George Hargrave and Robert Hart of Acton, all actively associated with the brigade here.

Bill Wilson had a most unique Father's Day gift. His youngest daughter Sally booked a telephone call to Scotland and he had a talk with his only sister there. Shortly after, his new son-in-law and daughter Susan called from Los Angeles.

Miss Margaret Zimmerman of Neepawa, Manitoba, has been visiting with relatives in Acton and vicinity. Mrs. Duncan Waldie and Mrs. Henry Sayers are her aunts. Her father, who resides with her in Neepawa, was a former resident of Acton and Nassagaweya.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Buchanan of Corner left on Monday for a tour of the West Coast. They are travelling west by train and returning by car. Mrs. J. Dennis is in charge at the stationery store while Mr. Elliott is away.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman, David and Michael of Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Lval McCutcheon, Heather, Carol, Howard and Barbara of Erin; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest West, Peter, Paul and Michael of Waterloo, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred West.

When county council entertained councillors from all Halton municipalities in Milton on Wednesday evening of last week, those present from Acton were mayor Les Daby, reeve and county warden Bert Hinton, deputy reeve Bob Parker, Mrs. George Fryer, Bob Drinkwater, Dr. Frank Oakes and Charles Leatherland, with clerk-administrator Jack McGeachie.

Acton customs officer Vince Montgomery was among the many customs officers who attended a special meeting of the Customs and Excise Officers' Association, zone 5, at Guelph Saturday to discuss and oppose the newly adopted program by the federal government regarding re-classification. During the meeting, the zone president was authorized to attend a national meeting in Toronto to discuss the problem further.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lidkea had as their guests recently, Mrs. Lidkea's cousin, Mrs. Earl Spares and her daughter Shirley of Shubenacadie, N.S. Also visiting with them were Mrs. Lidkea's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Michaud of Waterloo, Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Michaud of Brampton and their sister, Mrs. Alfred Knoerck of Brampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Gib Jordan, 224 Mason Blvd., Acton, attended a social evening and presentation Saturday at Milton, when parents of the Monday morning pre-school clinic students of Ontario School for the Deaf presented clinic supervisor, Miss J. Fox with a figurine. Their son Jim attends the clinic. The social evening was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Clements, R.R. 2, Milton.

Mrs. J. Blundell, who leaves this weekend to join her husband who has been working in Georgia, was the guest of honor Monday evening at a farewell party and shower, Mrs. Eric Lynch and Mrs. Tom Lynch were hostesses and she was showered with gifts for her new home. Daughter Pat Blundell left for England last week by plane but Mrs. Blundell and son Graham expect to be in their home in Marietta, Georgia, next week.

Visiting here for two months is Miss Maryann Richards of Plymouth, Devonshire, England, who is a cousin of Mrs. John Rol of Caroline Nurseries and niece of Mr. Michael Richards of Acton. Miss Richards arrived by plane Wednesday of last week for her first visit to this country. She joined the Acton Women's Institute on their annual bus trip Monday and had a "wonderful time". She will be taking short trips and visiting an uncle in the States while here, making her headquarters at the Rols.

At a family gathering in Weston last Sunday, former Acton residents Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Brown celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Their brothers and sisters present, who went to school here, were hostess Mrs. Bill Sinclair (Mary Lou Stewart), Miss Elsie Stewart, Bill, Bob and George Stewart with their families; Miss Bertha Brown and Mr. Ern Brown. Friends, children and grandchildren increased the family group at the happy occasion.

Four Acton couples made up a square at a special "square dance weekend" at Hospitality Inn in Haliburton last weekend. Attending from Acton were Mr. and Mrs. Mansell Nellis and Mr. and Mrs. E. Whitred, who stayed at the lodge, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Reed and Mr. and Mrs. George Hargrave, who camped nearby. Social directors at the lodge are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carpenter of Acton. The summer resort was not yet filled to its capacity of 250, but the square dancers thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Five public school teachers who are leaving the staff at the Robert Little school at the end of this term were feted Monday night at a gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Doherty, west of town. About 30 including staff members and husbands or wives and the secretary and her husband enjoyed a buffet dinner followed by presentations to the five teachers. Gifts were given to Miss Mary Golem, Mrs. June Doherty, Mrs. Doreen Byerman, Ross Farrelly and John Lewis. At the conclusion of the presentations, the group enjoyed chatting on the patio at the Doherty home.

Jehovah's Witnesses attending current District Assembly in Toronto are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McMullen and family of Acton; Mr. and Mrs. L. Schneider and family, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Paterson and family of Rockwood. Highlights of the gathering will include the mass baptism of new ministers Friday morning, June 24, and also the public Bible lecture "What has God's Kingdom been doing since 1914?" Henry C. Loewen, presiding minister of the local group, said that all meetings at the Kingdom Hall, Main-St. N., are suspended during the convention week.



HALTON COUNTY COUNCIL hosted members of the county's local municipal councils to a buffet dinner and social outing at the County Building Wednesday evening of last week. Warden H. H. Hinton of Acton, right, is shown greeting some of the councillors who attended. From left are councillors Percy Barr of Milton, Robert Drinkwater of Acton, Mrs. Ann McArthur of Nassagaweya, William Green of Burlington, and Geoff Drew-Brook of Oakville.

## Free Press news in brief

—A big year for measles and mosquitoes.

—The correspondent's report of the Rockwood carnival was not complete this week, so it will appear next Thursday.

—The architect's sketches of the new centennial library are on display in both the stationery store window and Acton Home - Furnishings window. Have a look!

—There'll be no tennis this year, according to discussion at the recreation committee meeting.

—Another reminder: the Free Press would like to have any old pictures of local people or scenes you might be considering throwing out. During centennial year, specially interesting and old ones will be published in the paper, too.

—It's expected census taking will be finished in this district July 1.

—June is Dairy Month.

—There were many favorable comments on the architect's concept of Acton's centennial library in the Free Press last week. The original was colored and even more attractive. The artist, left out the stream and hillside which make the location even lovelier.

—Grade eight students from both schools will enjoy their graduation banquet at the Robert Little school next Tuesday. Spyside graduation banquet is this Friday. Limchouse Thursday (today), and Brookville last evening (Wednesday). Press pictures will be taken at them all.

—The bridge column concludes this week for the summer. If you especially enjoy the column, we'd like to hear about it.

—Where did all those mosquitoes come from? They're as big as animals, too.

—Fairways are being levelled at the new golf course northwest of town.

—Next holiday is Friday, July 1.

—Acton is ahead of everywhere with its first centennial show next Tuesday at the high school!

—Our June calendar of engagements at the Free Press is jammed with special events — as many as four in an evening that must be attended for news stories and pictures!

—Tyler's buses have been chartered for many trips this month.

—Date of the United Church congregational picnic is set for Sunday afternoon, June 26 at the Shields' farm.

—Halton M.P. Dr. Harry Harley is among government representatives attending a safe car conference this week.

—District parks are well patronized on the weekends.

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